(c) and (d) All the schools affiliated to Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) and Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) have already implemented Three Language Formula which includes the study of Hindi, English and a Modern Indian language, preferably one of the Southern languages in the Hindi speaking States and of the regional language Hindi and English in the non-Hindi speaking States for the promotion of National integration through languages.

Condition of Urdu medium colleges

†654. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of Urdu medium colleges is becoming bad to worse day-by-day throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the results of students of Urdu has been negligible vis-a-vis the students of the other subjects because of the indifference shown towards maintenance of schools and studies as well;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government would take any concrete steps for betterment of schools of Urdu medium and their students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), there is no data available with UGC on the basis of which it could be stated that the condition of the Urdu medium colleges is becoming bad to worse day by day throughout the country. The UGC has identified 26 colleges, which are providing only Urdu courses. Government of India has established a Central

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

University, namely, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad which has the sole objective to impart education through Urdu medium both by regular stream as well as distance education mode.

(c) to (e) School Education is largely the concern of the State Governments.Therefore, steps for improvement of Urdu medium schools, if any, are required to be taken by the State Governments.

Compensation to victims

655. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of death cases where Railway Claims Tribunals awarded compensation less than that provided for in the rules, during the last five years giving particulars of the cases, with the compensation awarded and that provided for in the rules;

(b) whether in view of the recent Supreme Court Judgement to the effect that the Tribunals and the High Courts don't have the power to award compensation less than that provided for in the rules, Government would re-open the cases;

(c) if so, by when the balance payment in such cases is likely to be cleared; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Details of compensation awarded in death cases of less than 4 lacs during the last 5 years is given in the statement enclosed. (See below)

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Compensation awarded are Court decrees. The claimant if not satisfied with the decree can appeal to a Higher Court for setting aside the orders of the Tribunal.